

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3959–S4039*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 853–865, S.J. Res. 16, and S. Res. 114–117. **Page S4021**

**Supplemental Appropriations:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1268, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S3965–S4007**

Adopted:

Kohl Amendment No. 380, to provide supplemental funding for international food assistance.

**Pages S3966–68, S3970**

Lincoln Amendment No. 482, to require a report assessing the feasibility and advisability of implementing for the Army National Guard a program similar to the Post Deployment Stand-Down Program of the Air National Guard. **Page S3986**

Baucus Modified Amendment No. 549 (to Amendment No. 475), to clarify the terms of payment under the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000. **Pages S3987–88**

Reid (for Durbin) Amendment No. 443, to affirm that the United States may not engage in torture or cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment under any circumstances. **Pages S3966, S3976–80, S3988**

By 65 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 105), Byrd Amendment No. 516, to increase funding for border security. **Pages S3966, S3983–84, S3988–89**

By 58 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 106), Warner Amendment No. 498, relating to the aircraft carriers of the Navy. **Pages S3981–83, S3989–93**

Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 483, to increase the appropriation to Federal courts by

\$5,000,000 to cover increased immigration-related filings in the southwestern United States.

**Pages S3965, S3993**

Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 414, to encourage that funds be made available to provide assistance to children affected by the tsunami.

**Pages S3993–95**

Reid (for Biden) Modified Amendment No. 440, to express the sense of the Senate on funding for the Vaccine Health Care Centers. **Pages S3966, S3996**

Stevens (for Bunning) Modified Amendment No. 518, to express the sense of the Senate that the Department of Defense should fund initiatives to increase the domestic manufacturing capability to produce ceramic armor and its requisite components.

**Pages S3996–97**

Stevens (for Bunning) Modified Amendment No. 519, to express the sense of the Senate that the Department of Defense should procure Rapid Wall Breaching Kits in fiscal year 2005 and request funding for the new devices in future fiscal years.

**Page S3997**

Stevens (for Landrieu) Modified Amendment No. 480, to express the sense of the Senate that the Operation and Maintenance, Army Reserve may be increased by \$17,600,000, with the amount of such increase designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of the conference report to accompany S. Con. Res. 95 (108th Congress), and make the amount available for tuition assistance programs for members of the Army Reserve. **Page S3997**

Boxer/Bingaman Modified Amendment No. 444, to express the sense of the Senate that \$60,000,000 may be made available for the rapid deployment of Warlock systems and other field jamming systems.

**Pages S3966, S3997**

Feingold Modified Amendment No. 416, to authorize travel and transportation for family members of members of the Armed Forces hospitalized in the United States in connection with non-serious illnesses or injuries incurred or aggravated in a contingency operation. **Pages S3997–99**

Chambliss Further Modified Amendment No. 418, to prohibit the termination of the existing joint-service multiyear procurement contract for C/KC-130J aircraft. **Pages S3965, S4000**

Cochran (for Leahy) Modified Amendment No. 493, to continue programs to assist the families and communities of Afghan and Iraqi war victims.

**Page S4000**

Cochran (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 489, to make tsunami recovery and reconstruction funds available for programs and activities which create new economic opportunities for women.

**Pages S4000–01**

Cochran (for DeWine) Modified Amendment No. 342, to provide additional assistance for Haiti.

**Pages S3965, S4001**

Cochran (for Bennett) Modified Amendment No. 425, to provide funds for microcredit programs in the countries affected by the tsunami.

**Page S4001**

Levin Amendment No. 563, to authorize the Secretary of Labor to convey the Detroit Labor Building to the State of Michigan.

**Page S4004**

Cochran (for Salazar) Modified Amendment No. 454, to ensure that Afghan security forces, including police, border security guards, and members of the Afghan National Army, who receive training provided with United States assistance are professionally trained and that certain minimum standards are met.

**Pages S4004–05**

Cochran (for Corzine/Brownback) Modified Amendment No. 517, to impose sanctions against perpetrators of crimes against humanity in Darfur, Sudan.

**Pages S4005–07**

Cochran (for McConnell) Amendment No. 488, of a technical nature.

**Page S4007**

Rejected:

Coburn Amendment No. 450, to remove a non-emergency provision, relating to the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority.

**Pages S3971–74**

Coburn Amendment No. 471, to reduce appropriations for the Iraqi embassy to reduce outlays expected to occur in fiscal year 2007 or later. (By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 104), Senate tabled the amendment.)

**Pages S3971–76, S3981, S3984–85**

Withdrawn:

Coburn Amendment No. 467, to remove a non-emergency spending, relating to the Institute of Museum Library Services.

**Pages S3971–76**

Shelby Amendment No. 466, to provide for a refundable wage differential credit for activated military reservists.

**Pages S3985–86**

Lincoln Amendment No. 481, to modify the accumulation of leave by members of the National Guard.

**Pages S3966, S3986**

Reid (for Bayh) Amendment No. 388, to appropriate an additional \$742,000,000 for Other Procurement, Army, for the procurement of up to 3,300 Up Armored High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (UAHMMVs).

**Pages S3966, S3968–70, S3995**

Bayh Amendment No. 406, to protect the financial condition of members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces who are ordered to long-term active duty in support of a contingency operation.

**Pages S3965, S3995**

Isakson Amendment No. 429, to establish and rapidly implement regulations for State driver's license and identification document security standards, to prevent terrorists from abusing the asylum laws of the United States, to unify terrorism-related grounds for inadmissibility and removal, and to ensure expeditious construction of the San Diego border fence.

**Pages S3965–66, S4001**

Pending:

Ensign Amendment No. 487, to provide for additional border patrol agents for the remainder of fiscal year 2005.

**Page S3966**

Bayh Amendment No. 520, to appropriate and additional \$213,000,000 for Other Procurement, Army, for the procurement of Up-Armored High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (UAHMMWs).

**Pages S3995–96**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following actions:

Chair sustained certain points of order that the following amendments were not germane to the bill, and the amendments thus fell:

DeWine Amendment No. 340, to increase the period of continued TRICARE coverage of children of members of the uniformed services who die while serving on active duty for a period of more than 30 days.

**Pages S3965, S3980**

Salazar Amendment No. 351, to express the sense of the Senate that the earned income tax credit provides critical support to many military and civilian families.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Frist (for Craig/Kennedy) Modified Amendment No. 375, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain foreign agricultural workers, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reform the H-2A worker program under that Act, to provide a stable, legal agricultural workforce, to extend basic legal protections and better working conditions to more workers.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Feinstein Amendment No. 395, to express the sense of the Senate that the text of the REAL ID Act of 2005 should not be included in the conference report.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Bingaman (for Grassley) Amendment No. 417, to provide emergency funding to the Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Frist (for Chambliss/Kyl) Amendment No. 432, to simplify the process for admitting temporary alien agricultural workers under section

101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, to increase access to such workers.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Reid Amendment No. 445, to achieve an acceleration and expansion of efforts to reconstruct and rehabilitate Iraq and to reduce the future risks to United States Armed Forces personnel and future costs to United States taxpayers, by ensuring that the people of Iraq and other nations do their fair share to secure and rebuild Iraq.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Schumer Amendment No. 451, to lower the burden of gasoline prices on the economy of the United States and circumvent the efforts of OPEC to reap windfall oil profits.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Reid (for Reed/Chafee) Amendment No. 452, to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residents.

**Pages S3965, S3981**

Sessions Amendment No. 456, to provide for accountability in the United Nations Headquarters renovation project.

**Pages S3966, S3981**

Reid (for Feingold) Amendment No. 459, to extend the termination date of Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, expand the duties of the Inspector General, and provide additional funds for the Office.

**Pages S3966, S3981, S3999–S4000**

Byrd Amendment No. 463, to require a quarterly report on audits conducted by the Defense Contract Audit Agency of task or delivery order contracts and other contracts related to security and reconstruction activities in Iraq and Afghanistan and to address irregularities identified in such reports.

**Pages S3966, S3981**

Warner Amendment No. 499, relative to the aircraft carriers of the Navy.

**Pages S3966, S3981**

Craig Amendment No. 475, to limit the use of funds to restrict the issuance of general licenses for travel to Cuba in connection with authorized sales activities.

**Pages S3986–87, S3995**

Reid (for Biden) Amendment No. 537, to provide funds for the security and stabilization of Iraq and Afghanistan and for other defense-related activities by suspending a portion of the reduction in the highest income tax rate for individual taxpayers.

**Pages S3966, S4004**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Thursday, April 21, 2005, at a time determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, Senate continue consideration of the bill; that all time be considered expired under Rule XXII, with the exception of 15 minutes for debate equally divided between the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, Senator Cochran, and Senator Bayh, or his designee, prior to votes in relation to the remaining amend-

ments, and that following disposition of the amendments, the bill be read a third time and the Senate vote on final passage; provided further, the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint the Members of the Committee on Appropriations as conferees on the part of the Senate.

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**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Thursday, April 21, 2005, at a time determined by the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence; that there be 4 hours of debate, equally divided between the Majority Leader and the Democratic Leader, or their designees, and that the Democratic time be equally divided between Senators Rockefeller and Wyden; and that at the expiration, or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination.

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**Messages From the House:** **Page S4015**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S4015**

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**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S4037**

**Authority for Committees to Meet:** **Pages S4037–38**

**Privilege of the Floor:** **Page S4038**

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—106) **Pages S3984–85, S3989, S3993**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:31 a.m., and adjourned at 7:11 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 21, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S4038–39.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL GUARD & RESERVE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the National Guard